



## WASHINGTON DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND WILDLIFE

**FISHER WITH A DISABILITY APPLICATION**

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Please Print Clearly**APPLICANT INFORMATION**

LAST NAME				FIRST NAME		MI	SUFFIX JR / SR
MAILING ADDRESS				PHYSICAL STREET ADDRESS			
CITY			STATE	ZIP	PHONE (      )		
SEX M / F	HEIGHT FT. IN.	WEIGHT	DOB	EYE COLOR	SSN — — —		

**ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS****PERSONS ELIGIBLE FOR DESIGNATED HARVESTER CARD** (REDUCED FEES DO NOT APPLY)

- ☐ **Permanent physical disability** and unable to participate without assistance  
[Copy of [WAC \(#220-55-065\)](#) On back of the application.] (Must provide Physicians certification below)

**REDUCED FEE FISHING AND SHELLFISH/SEAWEED LICENSES**

- ☐ **Resident Veterans** with at least 30% service connected disability from the VA  
[Copy of RCW [77.32.490](#) (1) available with application.]
- ♣ ☐ **Physically disabled person who permanently uses a wheelchair**, as certified by the applicant's signature below  
(Non-residents may apply). [Copy of [RCW 77.32.490](#) (4) available with application]
- ♣ ☐ **Blind or visually impaired Resident**. Central visual acuity does not exceed 20/200 in the better eye with corrective lenses or visual field is not greater than 20 degrees per physician's signature below (Non-residents may apply). [Copy of [RCW 77.32.490](#) (4) available with application]
- ♣ ☐ **Developmentally disabled Resident** as determined by DSHS Authority or Physicians Certification below  
[Copy of [RCW 71A.10.020](#) available with application]  
♣ = Reduced fee qualifications that automatically receive a harvester card

I hereby certify under penalty of perjury under the laws of the state  
of Washington that the foregoing information is true and correct.

X \_\_\_\_\_  
Applicant's Signature Date

I am a physician for the above named person and by my signature do certify  
under penalty of perjury of law that he/she is as indicated.

Physician's Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Phone No: \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_

PHYSICIAN **MUST** PLACE OFFICE STAMP IN THIS BOX

- ☐ PHYSICALLY DISABLED
- ☐ BLIND or VISUALLY IMPAIRED
- ☐ DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITY

A brief description of disability **must** be written by Physician

**For Department Use Only**

Approved By : \_\_\_\_\_ Date : \_\_\_\_\_

D # \_\_\_\_\_ WILD ID # \_\_\_\_\_

**WAC 220-55-065 Fishing for shellfish, freshwater fish or saltwater fish by persons of disability.**

(1) Definitions:

(a) "Designated harvester" means a licensed fisher who accompanies a disabled fisher and assists the disabled fisher in the taking of shellfish, game fish or food fish.

(b) "Disabled fisher" means a person of disability who possesses a valid fishing license or shellfish license issued by the department. A disabled fisher must have all required licenses and catch record cards before fishing.

(c) "Disabled harvester identification card" means a card issued by the department to any person of disability who applies to the department and presents such evidence as the director may require showing that the applicant is a person of disability. Upon issuance of a disabled license, the department will also issue a designated harvester identification card.

(d) "Person of disability" means:

(i) A permanently disabled person who is not ambulatory over natural terrain without a prosthesis or assistive device; or

(ii) A permanently disabled person who is unable to hold or use any legal fishing or shell fishing device; or

(iii) A person who is totally blind or visually impaired.

This definition includes, but is not limited to, permanently disabled persons with upper or lower extremity impairments who have lost the use of one or both upper or lower extremities, or who have a significant limitation in the use of upper or lower extremities, or who have a diagnosed disease or disorder which substantially impairs or interferes with mobility of the use of upper extremities.

(e) "Visually impaired" means central visual acuity that does not exceed 20/200 in the better eye with corrective lenses, or the widest diameter of the visual field is no greater than 20 degrees.

(2) The designated harvester, when accompanied by the disabled fisher, may assist the disabled fisher in taking shellfish, game fish and food fish on behalf of the disabled fisher.

(3) It is unlawful for a designated harvester to assist a disabled fisher unless the disabled fisher is present and participating in the fishing activity; except, the disabled fisher is not required to be present at the location where the designated harvester is harvesting shellfish for the disabled person. The licensee is required to be in the direct line of sight of the designated harvester who is harvesting shellfish for him or her, unless it is not possible to be in a direct line of sight because of a physical obstruction or other barrier. If such a barrier or obstruction exists, the licensee is required to be within one-quarter mile of the designated harvester who is harvesting shellfish for him or her.

(4) It is unlawful for a designated harvester to assist a disabled fisher unless the designated harvester has the designated harvester identification card on his or her person.

(5) Shellfish, game fish or food fish harvested by a designated harvester on behalf of a disabled fisher become part of the disabled fisher's bag or possession limit, and must be kept separate from the designated harvester's bag or possession limit.

[Statutory Authority: 1998 c 191 and RCW [75.08.080](#), [99-03-029](#) (Order 99-02), § 220-55-065, filed 1/13/99, effective 2/13/99. Statutory Authority: RCW [75.08.080](#), 94-01-001, § 220-55-065, filed 12/1/93, effective 1/1/94; 91-08-054 (Order 91-13), § 220-55-065, filed 4/2/91, effective 5/3/91; 88-05-002 (Order 88-03), § 220-55-065, filed 2/4/88; 87-09-066 (Order 87-16), § 220-55-065, filed 4/21/87; 80-13-064 (Order 80-123), § 220-55-065, filed 9/17/80; 79-09-021 (Order 79-58), § 220-55-065, filed 8/10/79.]